

The Holy Spirit and Creation (Genesis 1:1-2)

Proposition: There are three truths that we must receive to appreciate the Holy Spirit's role in Creation.

I. The Holy Spirit is Preexistent in Creation (Vs. 1)

- A. Preexistent Design (Vs. 1)
- B. Preexistent Divinity (Vs. 1)
- C. Preexistent Dominion (Vs. 1)

II. The Holy Spirit is Present in Creation (Vs. 2)

- A. A Pictured Presence (Vs. 2)
- B. A Progressive Presence (Vs. 2)
- C. A Preparing Presence (Vs. 2)

III. The Holy Spirit is Perpetual in Creation

- A. Perpetual in Arrangement (Job 26:13)
- B. Perpetual in Activation (Psalms 33:6)
- C. Perpetual in Authority (Isaiah 40:12-14)

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Matter cannot be created or destroyed, but it can undergo a change in form. The same is true of Energy. Energy is necessary before matter can be produced, and matter is necessary for the production of energy. A small amount of matter, a about 2.2 lbs when the chain of fission is complete, will produce 25,000,000,000 (million) kilowatt hours of energy. This is the equivalent of all the power stations in a country like the U.S.A., working at peak efficiency twenty-four hours daily without a stop for sixty days. In reverse, it would need 25,000,000,000 (million) kilowatt hours of energy to bring into being 2.2 lbs of matter. Now, ignoring all the stars and the planets in this galaxy, and considering only our little planet earth on which we live, how much energy is needed to bring it into being? Its weight can be set down as 6.5 billion billion tons (6.5 and 23 zeros). Multiply this by 2,240 to bring it to lbs. All the power stations in the world working non-stop for millions of years would not produce the energy needed to bring this little earth into existence. Where, then, did the power come from to bring the universe into being? Genesis 1:1-2. God – Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. All three active participants in creation. But particularly, in verse two we see the active role of the Holy Spirit in creation. There are three truths that we must receive to appreciate the Holy Spirits role in Creation.

Notice first of
all →

I. The Holy Spirit is Pre-Existant in Creation. Gen 1:1-2 opens the curtain of time upon the world as we know it. The beginning of the univers that surrounds us, But

It was not the start of the Holy Spirit. No He

A. Pre-Existant Design - The Holy Spirit, being part of the Godhead, was part of the eternal counsels of God. This is where the external worlds we know today, were an internal design wrought from the wisdom of the trinity. Eph 1: 9, 11 The Design of this world was not accidental but of a

B. Pre-Existant Dominion - In the Beginning God = Elohim. It is a hebrew plural noun. This word is used in other passages to indicate a plurality of gods. Other Bible statements confirm this strange plurality and unity in the God head. But here in the very dawn of Scripture we are introduced to Triune God.

C. Pre-Existant Dominion - Elohim is the plural form of the word 'El' which means Mighty one! The God of might FE Marsh renders Elohim as 'The Putterforth of Power'. He has Dominion over the universe. Remember the Billions, and Billions of worlds to create our planet, think of the power to

II. The Holy Spirit is Present in Creation

Here in verse 2 the Holy Spirit actually present in creation. The same wind that filled the upper room

1) ...No! As one author said: The Holy Spirit was working before Genesis 1:1! The Holy Spirit was working in Genesis 1:1! The Holy Spirit was working after Genesis 1:1!

2) Ephesians 1:9 Having made known unto us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself: Ephesians 1:11 In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will:

3) ...but of a careful preexistent design. What was true with creation is true with recreation. Praise God He (the Holy Ghost) knew you, sought you, designed a plan to bring you into Christ long before the light of the Gospel dawned on your heart

4) of the power that it took to create the seemingly infinite galaxies and stars that gleam in the midnight sky! That same powerful creative Holy Spirit of God is still gentle enough to convict the sinner of His lost condition, still tender enough to wash the sinner clean!

1) "...He still moves today" one author wrote "...in grace and love, unprompted, by anyone or anything, manifesting and promoting divine life."

2) Deuteronomy 32:11-12 As an eagle stirreth up her nest, fluttereth over her young, spreadeth abroad her wings, taketh them, beareth them on her wings: So the LORD alone did lead him, and there was no strange god with him.

3) ...all inclusive statement of verse 1, to a further description of the creative works of chapter 1, into an even further description in Chapter 2. This brooding Spirit of God is progressing from one moment of creation to another.

4) ...prepares the heart of the sinner for his Saviour and the heart of the saint for it's sanctification.

at Pentecost is found here at creation. ¹ He did
A. A Pictured Presence - the word
'moued' = "to brood or to feather about"
some have said "to hover over as a mother
bird over her young" Deut 32:11, 12 ² says
"feathereth" same word as 'moued' "When the
world was dark and lifeless, barren and dead
the Holy Spirit, began to stir, to move,
He brought hope, life and change."

B. A Progressive Presence - Watch
your study Bibles between Vs 1 and Vs 2
many refer to a Gap theory, A great
expanse of time where all manner of pre-
adamic nonsense can be found. A gap
so wide as to ultimately include the
evolutionist and the Big Bang theory. This is
simply a progression from the all inclusive ³

C. A Preparing Presence - This moving
and working Spirit of God, is preparing
for all of the creature works to come
in Ch 1. Preparing the world for light
Preparing the ground for vegetation,
Just at that brooding eagle prepares her
young to soar in the heavens one day so
that same creative Holy Spirit prepares

III. The Holy Spirit is Perpetual in
Creation. In Eternity Past the Holy
Spirit, was moving - in the presence
of Creation itself he was working but

there are a few other texts that emphasize

A. Perpetual ⁽²⁾ in Arrangement - Joh 26:13
Joh, historically, is said to be the oldest book of Bible, but it contains insight into the perpetual H.S. work. Garnish is to beautify, "crooked serpent" speaks of sort of constellations arranged in the heavens. Hubble telescope has been bringing brilliant pictures of heavens. All the glorious garnish

B. Perpetual in Actuation ⁽⁴⁾ - Ps 33:6
The same creative Spirit of God that worked in Gen 1:1 is doing the same today. "Breath" = Spirit in Gen 1:1 New stars are born and created every day. Ps 104:30
Here the renewing work is set forth. The renewal of life and renewing of the earth is attributed to the creative power of H.S.

C. Perpetual in Authority ⁽⁷⁾ Is 40:12-14
Be assured of this, the authority of the creative power of H.S. has not diminished one bit since the dawn of creation ⁽⁸⁾. Jesus in Jn 3:8 You can not dictate to the Spirit of God who he will save, when he will create! He has complete authority.

IV. Close - I was sharing my testimony w/ a man today, recalling all that prepared me for salvation. That was the same creative power that flung ^{into existence} the universe.

- 1) ...that emphasis His perpetual ongoing creative ministry.
- 2) Job 26:13 By his spirit he hath garnished the heavens; his hand hath formed the crooked serpent.
- 3) ...glorious garnishment of the handy work of God are under the direction of the Holy Spirit of God. Oh in your life or mine, it there be any beauty, if there be any awe inspiring splendor, all credit God to the creative work of the Spirit of God.
- 4) Psalms 33:6 By the word of the LORD were the heavens made; and all the host of them by the breath of his mouth.
- 5) Psalms 104:30 Thou sendest forth thy spirit, they are created: and thou renewest the face of the earth.
- 6) ...power of Holy Spirit. *Summer and winter and spring time and harvest. Sun, moon and stars in their courses above, join with all nature in manifold witness, to thy great faithfulness, mercy and love! Is it not the Holy Spirit of God that renews us and restores us and revives us in the seasons of our Christian life. Titus 3:5 Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost;*
- 7) Isaiah 40:12-14 Who hath measured the waters in the hollow of his hand, and meted out heaven with the span, and comprehended the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales, and the hills in a balance? Who hath directed the Spirit of the LORD, or being his counsellor hath taught him? With whom took he counsel, and who instructed him, and taught him in the path of judgment, and taught him knowledge, and shewed to him the way of understanding?
- 8) John 3:8 The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit.